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Re: Lehman Brothers Special Financing Inc. v. Bank of America National

Association et al., Adv. Proc. No. 10-03547 (SCC)

Dear Judge Chapman:

We respectfully submit this letter in reply to the Letter Response filed by Lehman Brothers Special Financing Inc. ("LBSF") on August 7, 2014 [Dkt. No. 807] and in further support of ANZ Nominees' Letter Request [Dkt. No. 801] seeking leave to file a motion to dismiss based on personal jurisdiction and conduit defenses.

First, LBSF's assertion that ANZ Nominees' motion cannot be heard alongside JA Hokkaido Shinren ("JA Hokkaido") is plainly disingenuous. LBSF itself has proposed a lengthy schedule for discovery on and the resolution of JA Hokkaido's motion and, although the Court has not ruled with respect to that proposal, ANZ Nominees has indicated it is ready and willing to meet that same schedule. See Letter from LBSF to the Court dated August 5, 2014 [Dkt. No. 806]. Briefing on, and the resolution of ANZ Nominees' motion can plainly be handled on the same timetable. In addition, while the specific facts upon which ANZ Nominees' motion will be based differ from those upon which JA Hokkaido's motion is based, the general legal principles do not. Thus, it is both efficient from the standpoint of judicial resources and fair that ANZ Nominees be heard at the same time as JA Hokkaido. LBSF has made that precise argument previously and it should not be allowed to argue otherwise now. Indeed, the Court already indicated that it wanted personal jurisdiction motions to proceed now and not wait until Phase II. Transcript of Record at 120-21, Lehman Brothers Special Financing Inc. v. Bank of America National Association et al., Adv. Proc. No. 10-03547 (SCC) (May 14, 2014) ("I want personal jurisdiction claims to be able to

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proceed. They're in a separate category, and I want there to be an ability to raise other unique and uniquely dispositive type issues in the nature of a letter request.").

Second, LBSF fails to recognize that the contacts that count in the jurisdictional test are those of ANZ Nominees, and not those of LBSF or third parties. See Hanson v. Denckla, 357 U.S. 235, 253-54 (1958) (Florida lacked jurisdiction over Delaware trustee because trustee's contact with Florida came not as a result of doing or soliciting business in Florida, but rather as a result of one of its clients moving there); Aquiline Cap. Partners v. FinArch, 861 F. Supp. 2d at 386 (holding that personal jurisdiction requires "defendant's direct and personal involvement...on his own *initiative*") (emphasis added) (internal citations omitted). Here, ANZ Nominees was not a party to any deal negotiated in New York and it did not initiate or solicit business in the United States whatsoever. In fact, the custody agreement ANZ Nominees signed was negotiated and executed in Australia, was governed by the laws of Victoria, Australia and required performance in Australia only. Moreover, LBSF fails to disclose controlling precedent on *in rem* jurisdiction, which plainly requires that there be minimum contacts for in rem jurisdiction to exist. See Shaffer v. Heitner, 433 U.S. 186, 212 (1977) ("all assertions of state-court jurisdiction must be evaluated according to the criteria set forth in International Shoe and its progeny," including in rem cases); LiButti v. U.S., 178 F.3d 114, 123 (2d Cir. 1999) ("the Supreme Court explained that to have in rem jurisdiction it is necessary, at the very least, to satisfy the minimum contacts standard set out in International Shoe." (emphasis added)).

Third, the mere conduit defense is unique to ANZ Nominees. The issues and the facts related to that defense are distinctive to ANZ Nominees' involvement and its general business. To the extent LBSF expects that the trustee defendants will assert that defense as well, ANZ Nominees is in a completely different position from the trustees, as it was simply acting as a custodian for the benefit of third party beneficial noteholders. Moreover, the personal jurisdiction and conduit defenses are closely linked since any facts showing the absence of personal jurisdiction will also demonstrate that ANZ Nominees acted as a "mere conduit." It is thus more efficient and expeditious to hear both defenses at the same time.

As ANZ Nominees indicated in its Letter Request, it intends to participate fully and in good faith in the ADR proceedings in parallel with its motion to dismiss. In fact, in an attempt to advance the ADR process, ANZ Nominees has already served its ADR Response, earlier than the due date of August 25, 2014 and is looking forward to receiving LBSF's reply shortly.

For the reasons set forth above, the Court should grant ANZ Nominees' request to move to dismiss ANZ Nominees as a defendant for lack of personal jurisdiction and on the basis of the mere conduit defense.

Respectfully,

Lewis J. Liman

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